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**DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

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the specification of which:

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☐ [ ] was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ and  
 was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ if applicable).

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